

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Appln. No.: 10/617,698 Group Art Unit: 2824

Filed: July 14, 2003 Examiner: B. Smith

For: METHOD OF DOPING SILICON, METAL DOPED SILICON, METHOD

OF MAKING SOLAR CELLS AND SOLAR CELLS

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Responding to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2004, and to the requirement for restriction therein, Applicants elect the invention of Group I (Claims 10-59) for examination. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application with regard to the non-elected invention.

An action on the merits of the claims to the elected invention is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit

any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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